California Statewide Fire Summary

August 28, 2021

As of this morning, fire crews continue to battle 14 major wildfires and three extended attack fires in California, all while remaining vigilant to additional fire potential. More than 15,000 firefighters are on the front lines. Despite rising temperatures, firefighters continue to increase containment efforts on many of the wildfires, including full containment on the Rock Fire in Riverside County. Additionally, fire crews extinguished 34 new initial attack wildfires in California yesterday.

A Red Flag Warning for critical fire weather remains in effect through late Saturday morning for gusty winds and low humidity across the northern and central Sacramento Valley and surrounding foothills stretching from Shasta County down to Colusa County. A Fire Weather Watch has also been issued for Monday afternoon through late Tuesday evening for gusty winds and low humidity for the Tahoe Basin and portions of the eastern Sierra and western Nevada, and portions of northeastern California, stretching from Lassen County down to Placer County.

Across the state, daytime temperatures will remain 5 – 10 degrees above normal, with hot temperatures persisting through the weekend. Additionally, there will be a heightened risk for new lightning starts Sunday through Wednesday, especially with thunderstorms that may form over areas that continue to support critically dry fuels. Smoke continues to impact many northern California communities. An excessive heat warning remains in effect until Sunday evening for the southeast part of the state. Hot and dry conditions will cause the potential for large fire to remain elevated across the region through this weekend.

Are you prepared if a wildfire should strike nearby? Making a quick and safe evacuation is critical to protecting your life and your family. To learn ways to be prepared, visit www.ReadyForWildfire.org.

Fires of Interest:

CAL FIRE Incidents

Airola Fire, Calaveras County (more info...)

West of Columbia

- *700 acres, 55% contained
- *Evacuation warnings lifted

Unified Command Fires

Dixie Fire, Butte, Plumas, Lassen, Tehama & Shasta Counties (more info...)

Feather River Canyon

- *756,768 acres, 48% contained
- *Nearly 12,000 structures threatened
- *2nd Largest and 14th Most Destructive Wildfire in state history
- *Evacuation orders and warnings in place for multiple communities
- *Repopulation planning continues in some areas
- *Unified Command CAL FIRE, USFS, BLM, and National Park Service
- *CAL FIRE IMT 1 and CA Interagency IMT 1 are in command

Caldor Fire, El Dorado County (more info...)

South of Grizzly Flats – El Dorado National Forest

- *149,684 acres, 19% contained
- *Evacuation orders and warnings remain in place, new evacuation orders issued
- *More than 18,000 structures threatened, 650 structures destroyed
- *Damage inspection is ongoing
- *Highway 50 closed in both directions from Sly Park to Meyers
- *Unified Command CAL FIRE and USFS
- *CAL FIRE IMT 6 and NIMO Team 2 in command

French Fire, Kern County (more info...)

West of Lake Isabella – Seguoia National Forest

- *23.764 acres. 22% contained
- *Structures threatened
- *Evacuation orders and warnings remain in place
- *Unified Command CA Interagency IMT 12 and Kern County Fire

McFarland Fire, Shasta, Trinity & Tehama Counties (more info...)

West of Platina - Shasta-Trinity National Forest

- *122,653 acres, 93% contained
- *Evacuation orders and warnings will be lifted at 8 a.m.
- *Red Flag Warning in place until 11 a.m. for gusty winds
- *Unified Command CAL FIRE and USFS
- *CA Interagency IMT 10, in command with CAL FIRE

Monument Fire, Trinity County (more info...)

West of Big Bar – Shasta-Trinity National Forest

- *161,309 acres, 23% contained
- *Evacuation orders and warnings remain in place
- *Unified Command CAL FIRE and USFS
- *CAL FIRE IMT 5 and Alaska IMT in command

South Fire, San Bernardino County (more info...)

North of Fontana – San Bernardino National Forest

- *819 acres, 10% contained
- *Decrease in acres due to better mapping
- *Evacuation orders and warnings remain in place
- *Unified Command CAL FIRE, USFS and San Bernardino County Fire

Federal Incidents

Antelope Fire, Siskiyou County (more info...)

South of Tennant – Klamath National Forest

*71,326 acres, 46% contained

River Complex, Siskiyou & Trinity Counties (more info...)

West of Callahan - Klamath National Forest

- *96,525 acres, 23% contained (ROC: 96,525; 23% contained)
- *Complex is comprised of 23 fires: 16 fires contained
- *Evacuation orders and warnings remain in place
- *NIMO Team 3 and CA Interagency IMT 15 in command

McCash Fire, Siskiyou County (more info...)

Ten Bear Mtn McCash Creek - Six Rivers National Forest

- *27,373 acres, 1% contained
- *Great Basin IMT 3 in command

Walkers Fire, Tulare County (more info...)

Northeast of Springville – Sequoia National Forest *5,640 acres, 45% contained

Lava Fire, Siskiyou County (more info...)

Northeast of the community of Weed - Shasta-Trinity National Forest *26,409 acres, 90% contained

Beckwourth Complex, Lassen/Plumas Counties (more info...)

Northeast of Beckwourth – Plumas National Forest *105,670 acres, 98% contained

Tamarack Fire, Alpine County (more info...)

South of Gardnerville – Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest *68,637 acres, 82% contained

Extended Attack Incidents

Westward Fire, Riverside County (more info...)

W. Westward Ave area, Banning – CAL FIRE

*160 acres, 98% contained

*Full containment expected Saturday

Rock Fire, Riverside County (more info...) - FINAL

Rock Canyon Rd area, Anza – CAL FIRE *295 acres, 100% contained

Bennett Fire, Nevada County (more info...)

East Bennett Road, Grass Valley

*59 acres, 95% contained

*Unified Command CAL FIRE, Nevada County Consolidated Fire District and Grass Valley Fire Department

Washington Fire, Tuolumne County (more info...)

West of Sonora

- *100 acres, 25% contained
- *Evacuation orders remain in place
- *Unified Command CAL FIRE and City of Sonora